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AMENDMENT TO THE CLAIMS, COMPLETE LISTING OF CLAIMS IN ASCENDING ORDER WITH STATUS INDICATOR

Please amend the claims as follows.

Claims 1-10 (Canceled).

- 11. (Currently Amended) A fiberboard comprising natural fiber and polylactic acid resin mixed in said natural fiber as a binder, said fiberboard
 - (1) having a density of 0.2 g/cm³ or more,
- (2) comprising an initial bending strength of 30 MPa or more, said bending strength being calculated in accordance with the following expression

bending strength (MPa) = $3PL/2Wt^2$

wherein P is the maximum bending load (N) to a test piece, L is the distance between fulcrums (mm) of the test piece, W is the width of the test piece (mm), and t is the thickness of the test piece (mm), and

(3) retaining 20% or more of said initial bending strength after subjecting said fiberboard to a high temperature of 50°C and a high humidity of 95% RH for 1,200 hours,

wherein the polylactic acid resin comprises a carboxyl-terminal quantity of 10 or less equivalent weight/ton and a polycarbodiimide compound which is added to the polylactic acid resin.

12. (Canceled)

- 13. (Currently Amended) The fiberboard according to claim 11-or-12, wherein the polylactic acid resin comprises a remaining monomer quantity under a raw pellet state of 500 ppm or less.
- 14. (Currently Amended) The fiberboard according to claim 11-or-12, wherein the polylactic acid resin is mixed with the natural fiber at a range between 10 and 90 wt%.

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15. (Canceled).

16. (Canceled).